

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-5 have been amended as follows:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A disk recording or reproducing apparatus including, on a chassis [[(1)]], a pickup [[(2)]], which is moved while emitting a laser beam onto a signal surface of a disk [[(7)]], and a pair of guide shafts ~~(4)~~ and (40) for guiding the movement of the pickup [[(2)]], one guide shaft [[(4)]] being fitted to the pickup [[(2)]] with a fewer play than the other guide shaft [[(40)]], the disk recording or reproducing apparatus characterized in that:

both ends of the guide shaft [[(4)]] fitted to the pickup [[(2)]] with a fewer play are supported by support members ~~(5)~~ and (50) mounted on the chassis [[(1)]], respectively; and further, a cutout [[(52)]], into which the guide shaft [[(4)]] can be inserted, is formed on a side of at least one support member [[(50)]]; and

a pressing member [[(9)]] including an abutting piece [[(90)]] is provided for preventing the guide shaft [[(4)]] from slipping off from the cutout [[(52)]] in the vicinity of the support member [[(50)]] having the cutout [[(52)]] formed thereat on the chassis [[(1)]].

Claim 2 (currently amended): A disk recording or reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the abutting piece [[(90)]] in the pressing member [[(9)]] is formed by bending a mount plate [[(93)]] mounted on the chassis [[(1)]], the abutting piece [[(90)]] abutting against the guide

shaft [[(4)]] at an end surface [[(90a)]] thereof.

Claim 3 (currently amended): A disk recording or reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the guide shaft [[(4)]] is elevatably supported by the support member [[(50)]], and further, an adjusting mechanism is provided, on the chassis [[(1)]], for inclining the pickup [[(2)]] and the guide shaft [[(4)]] with respect to the signal surface of the disk [[(7)]].

Claim 4 (currently amended): A disk recording or reproducing apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the adjusting mechanism includes an adjusting screw [[(48)]] screwed onto the chassis [[(1)]] and a torsion spring [[(8)]] provided, on the chassis [[(1)]]], for urging the guide shaft [[(4)]] toward the adjusting screw [[(48)]].

Claim 5 (currently amended): A method of fixing a pickup in a disk recording or reproducing apparatus including, on a chassis [[(1)]], a pickup [[(2)]], which is moved while emitting a laser beam onto a signal surface of a disk [[(7)]], and a pair of guide shafts (4) and (40) for guiding the movement of the pickup [[(2)]], the guide shaft [[(4)]] serving as a main shaft being fitted to the pickup [[(2)]] with a fewer play than the guide shaft [[(40)]] serving as an auxiliary shaft, wherein on the chassis [[(1)]] are provided a support member [[(50)]], which has a cutout [[(52)]] on a side thereof, and to which the guide shaft [[(4)]] serving as the main shaft is fitted at the end thereof, and a pressing member [[(9)]] for preventing the guide shaft [[(4)]] from slipping off from the support

member [[(50)]] in contact with the end of the guide shaft [[(4)]], the method comprising the steps of:

fixing the guide shaft [[(40)]] serving as the auxiliary shaft to the chassis [[(1)]];

fitting the pickup [[(2)]] to the guide shaft [[(40)]] serving as the auxiliary shaft;

swinging the pickup [[(2)]] within a plane parallel to the chassis [[(1)]], to thus fit the guide shaft [[(4)]] serving as the main shaft to the pickup [[(2)]];

fitting the guide shaft [[(4)]] serving as the main shaft to the support member [[(50)]] through the cutout [[(52)]] formed on the side of the support member [[(50)]]; and

fixing the pressing member [[(9)]] to the chassis [[(1)]].